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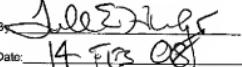
**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Madam:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2007. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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